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SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

Sir:

In response to the final Action of February 20, 2002, please amend the application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 14, as follows:

14. (amended) An airbag comprising:

a first panel and a second panel, which have peripheral portions having inner surfaces facing and connected to each other,

elastic adhesive disposed between the inner surfaces of the first and second panels at the peripheral portions to connect the first and second panels, and

a yarn sewed along the peripheral portions within a range of the width of the elastic adhesive to connect the first and second panels together with the elastic adhesive, said adhesive being adhered not only to the peripheral portions of the panels where they are sewn each other but also to a neighborhood thereof inside the airbag so that when the first and second panels are pulled in inflating the airbag, the elastic adhesive in the neighborhood is pulled outwardly to absorb an expansion force and stress applied thereto.

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